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American Hostages

Majlis Speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani, again addressing the hostage issue, said in an AP interview that the Majlis will decide on the fate of the hostages within the next 2 or 3 days. According to a report of this interview carried by Tehran radio's Arabic service, Rafsanjani said he could not predict the conditions the Majlis will set forth but he "believed" they would be the same as those announced by Ayatollah Khomeyni--presumably in a statement, on 12 September when Khomeyni said the hostages would be "set free" upon the "return of the deposed shah's wealth," the "cancellation of all U.S. claims against Iran," a "guarantee of no U.S. military and political interventions in Iran" and the "freeing of all our investments." According to the Tehran Arabic report, Rafsanjani said the Majlis "might or might not ask" for a U.S. apology.

Tehran radio's Kurdish service reported that Prime Minister Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i met with the family of one of the hostages while he was in New York.

Iraq-Iran Conflict

Chatti Mission--Reporting Islamic Conference Secretary General Habib Chatti's 20 October meeting with Ayatollah Khomeyni, Tehran radio and its Arabic service cited Chatti as asking Khomeyni to "permit" the formation of a mission consisting of the heads of some Islamic countries and to entrust it with "ending the war." According to Tehran radio, Khomeyni agreed to allow the mission into Iran to "investigate the crimes" of Iraqi leader Saddam Husayn. He then added that "anyone occupying our towns and villages would wish to have a cease-fire" but "this is something that will not do." He went on to state that if governments want to have "peace and calm," they must fight for it, and he then suggested to Chatti that "you Islamic governments" should "rise and liberate" the Iraqi people and see if they really want the Saddam Husayn regime. According to Tehran radio, Chatti also broached the subject of an Islamic mediation mission to Hashemi Rafsanjani, who told him that he would discuss it with "other responsible brothers" and give an answer "later." Kuala Lumpur radio earlier reported that Pakistani President Ziaul Haq had already appointed the mediation team to which Chatti was referring and that it would consist of Malaysian President Hussein bin Onn, Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid, Pakistani Foreign Minister Aga Shahi, PLO leader Yasir 'Arafat and Chatti himself.

Khomeyni Speech--In a speech to the ambassadors of Islamic countries carried by Tehran radio, Ayatollah Khomeyni upbraided the Muslim countries for giving away their wealth to non-Muslims while their own people live in poverty, as was the case in Iran under the deposed shah. He went on to tie these comments in with the Iranian stand on revolution beyond its borders, explaining that Iranian talks about exporting revolution should not be "misconstrued as an intention to carve an empire." What Iran is trying to say, Khomeyni said, is that nations and government should "wake up," as Iran did, and liberate themselves from domination, from a state in which their resources are being squandered while they live in poverty. Khomeyni also told the ambassadors that Iran does not fear political, economic and social isolation because the real "yardstick" of isolation is the extent of relations with nations rather than governments. The ayatollah called President Saddam Husayn "insane" and said he "must be tried in the same way that Carter must be tried," as he is acting only in his own interest and that of the United States.

Hammadi Warning to U.S.--In an interview with the Kuwaiti paper AL-WATAN, reported by KUNA, Iraqi Foreign Minister Sa'dun Hammadi said he had "warned" the United States against abandoning its neutrality in the Gulf war during a meeting with Secretary of State Edmund Muskie at the United Nations. He stated that Baghdad is concerned that the hostage issue might prompt the United States into "entering the conflict arena" on Iran's side by supplying it with arms.

Military Situation--Tehran radio reported that the propaganda staff of the Supreme Defense Council changed the name of Khorramshahr city to Khuninshahr (City of Blood) in honor of the resistance put up by its forces on 16 October. The radio said the city is under heavy artillery fire and reiterated that it needs reinforcements to confront the enemy. It also carried an Iranian Joint Staff communique which said the Air Force had attacked Iraqi positions in the vicinity of Khuninshahr. Iraq's characterization of the fighting along the Shatt al-'Arab remained unchanged, with INA reporting that Iraqi forces are continuing to "purge" Khorramshahr of "pockets" of resistance and are "tightening" their siege of Abadan. Tehran radio said that Abadan is under intense mortar fire, that Iraqi troops are advancing parallel to the city and that Iranian aircraft attacked enemy armor on the Abadan-Ahvaz road and Iraqi positions across the river from Abadan. In the meantime, Baghdad radio's Persian service called on the residents and Iranian Army contingents in Abadan to "separate themselves from the criminal Khomeyni guards" and join the Iraqi forces, promising that no harm will come to them if they do.

An Iranian Joint Staff communique, carried by Tehran radio, claimed further successes on the western front, including Iraqi defeats on the Kor Mosh front and in the battle being fought in the Sar-e Pol-e Zahab area. Other Joint Staff communiques reported airstrikes on Iraqi concentrations on the Susangerd front and around Ahvaz and on ammunition depots and a radar installation in Iraq itself.

Tehran radio's Arabic service announced that the Iranian counterattack has begun, and in an interview reported by Tehran radio, President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr said if the current Iranian offensive goes as planned, Iranian forces will cross the Iraqi border and topple the Saddam Husayn regime.

Soviet Experts--Tehran radio's Arabic service reported that 1,000 Soviet "military experts" left Iraq a "few days" ago and said this demonstrates that the USSR has washed its hands of Iraq. The radio also claimed that Iraq had been unable to provide the Soviet advisers with "basic security and protection" from Iranian air raids.

Raja'i Travel

Tripoli radio reported that Prime Minister Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i arrived in Tripoli on 20 October en route home to Iran from the United Nations. The radio said Raja'i met with Maj 'Abd as-Salam Jallud, but it gave no details on the talks. Tehran radio reported Raja'i's return to Tehran on 21 October.

Egypt

In an interview with AL-AHRAM, reported by MENA, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butrus Ghali said that the Washington meetings involving Egypt, Israel and the United States "did not achieve any progress on the main issues" and that the only thing "worth mentioning" to come out of then was an agreement to hold a tripartite conference. Ghali said the meetings, which he described as a series of bilateral sessions between the United States and Egypt and the United States and Israeli could not be described as a resumption of the autonomy talks.

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KARACHI: PLOT TO OVERTHROW KARMAL REGIME FOILED

BK190831 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 19 Oct 80

[TExt] According to reports received from Kabul, the Soviet forces have foiled a plot to overthrow the Babrak Karmal regime by the Afghan forces.

NUR AHMAD NUR READS KARMAL'S 'ID AL-ADHA MESSAGE

LD200844 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1530 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] Today was the first day of the 'Id Al-Adha. Our Muslim and free patriots observe the sacred days of this 'Id with great happiness and joy.

Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan (PDPA) Central Committee, chairman of the Revolution Council and Democratic Republic of Afghanistan (DRA) prime minister, who is currently on a friendly and official visit to the USSR, has sent a message addressed to our dear compatriots on the occasion of the 'Id al-Adha which was read on Radio Afghanistan at 1100 by Nur Ahmad Nur, member of the PDPA Central Committee Politburo, secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and member of the Revolution Council Presidium.

[Begin Nur Ahmad Nur recording in Dari] In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. Dear, honorable, free and proud compatriots, allow me to offer you sisters, brothers, fathers, mothers and innocent, struggling and courageous children of the country, everywhere you are, the most sincere congratulations and greetings together with the overwhelming love for my homeland, on my own behalf and on behalf of my companions in this short, friendly visit to the country of your historical, trustworthy and ensured friends, the land of the great and hospitable neighbor, the friendly country, the USSR, on the occasion of the arrival of the 'Id al-Adha.

I also offer sincere congratulations on the occasion of the sacred days of 'Id al-Adha to all Muslim nations of the world and our Pashtun and Baluch brothers who are continuing their sacred liberation struggle.

The celebration of 'Id every year is the lofty Islamic religious custom of our people and the source of inspiration toward sacrifice, sacrifice in the way of God, in the way of the homeland and in the way of the defense of peace and stability, prosperity and well-being of the people.

I express my condolences to all persecuted families of the country who have lost their dear ones as a result of the atrocities and savagery of thieves and highway robbers, plunderers and mercenaries, and I express my deepest respect to the memory of all the martyrs on the path of freedom and on the path of prosperity, peace and stability of our people.

In the conditions and situation in which we are living and in which our country is faced with the plundering aggression of the servants of reaction and imperialism, the interests of the homeland and of the peace and the security of the people expect from us sacrifice. In this just struggle, which we are carrying out in order to implement our responsibilities for the prosperity of our faithful, peaceful and free people, the help of the Almight God and the support of the broad toiling masses and the peace-loving people of the world is with us.

The sacred days of 'Id are not only the messages of the great religious phenomenon, but also express the lofty humanitarian invitation to all Muslims of the world to demonstrate sincerity of intentions, purity of faith, friendliness and fraternal solidarity. The sworn enemies of Islam and of the toiling Muslims of our country are becoming obstacles in the way of the consolidation of peace and friendship, peace and progress of the people of our country.

We are fully confident that our courageous and toiling people will surmount the present troubles which have been created by the direct and plundering interference of reaction and imperialism, with the collaboration of the traitors of the present Chinese leadership.

Their direct and shameless interference, including armed interference in our internal affairs, which has been set in motion as an undeclared war against free, independent, heroic and revolutionary Afghanistan and which is disrupting the peace and security of our people, will be ended.

The Zionist and imperialist forces, in traitorous collusion with As-Sadat and under the cover of the shameful Camp David treaty, are continuing the occupation of the Arab lands and the extensive armed aggression against the people of Palestine and the people of Lebanon is being continued. We believe that the just and right struggles of the Muslims of the world, particularly the just struggle of the persecuted people of Palestine and the people of Lebanon against the reaction of Arab, Israeli Zionist and U.S. imperialism, will succeed.

In these sacred days of the 'Id, a source of deep sorrow for us is the fratracidal war which has been going on between two Muslim neighboring countries, that is, Iraq and Iran. We strictly believe that this war is neither in the interests of the masses of the people of Iran nor in the interests of the people of Iraq. This is a war which has been prepared by U.S. imperialism. American imperialism is fanning its bloody fire. In this destructive war Muslim brothers are killing each other, but Zionism, imperialism and Chinese hegemonists are joyous because of that.

The people of Afghanistan anxiously follow the continuation of this war and desire a peaceful resclution of the present crisis between Iran and Iraq.

Imperialism is trying to transform the Gulf region into a dangerous nest of war and fire in order to impose its greedy control of oil on the countries of the region. We, however, are strictly confident that the world's peace-loving forces, particularly the socialist camp led by the great country of the Soviets with its gigantic power, will be able to stop the warmongering inclinations of the imperialist circles.

In conclusion, I once again congratulate, on the occasion of these sacred days, all the noble, free and toiling people of Afghanistan and all the toiling muslims of the world and I pray for their peace and prosperity, progress and well-being, security and stability, and indefatigable and fruitful work toward the construction of a progressive and prosperous, blossoming and proud life. I hope our persecuted and toiling people, in compensation for the painful backwardness left from the previous dark regimes, under the proud flag of the national and democratic Sawr Revolution, particularly its new development stage, will strive forward toward great successes and the high mounts of human pride. I seek the assistance of God. [end recording]

KARMAL GREETS HONECKER ON GDR NATIONAL DAY

AU152223 East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 8 Oct 80 p 6

[Telegram from the Afghan President Babrak Karmal to GDR Chairman Honecker on the GDR National Day]

[Text] To Comrade Erich Honecker, General Secretary of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany Central Committee and Chairman of the GDR State Council, Berlin:

Dear Comrade, permit me to convey to you, and through you to the entire working, successful and victorious GDR people, my best wishes and cordial congratulations on the occasion of the 31st founding anniversary of the GDR. On this day we are jointly commemorating the 31st anniversary of an event which is not only important for your working people, because it was with this event that your people with their iron will and firm determination to build socialism won international recognition of their national identity, but also because it has been symbolic for the transformation of the international power balance in the favor- of peace, security and socialism. In all the 31 years of difficult struggle, the fighting workers class and working people's masses have achieved epic victories in defending their fatherland, and have imperturbably resisted all expansionist and war greedy forces. In doing so, they proved to be paragons of an independent socialist society.

In the years of its existence, the GDR has remained consistently loyal to the principles of proletarian internationalism. It has constantly played a resolute and active role in the struggle for peace, social progress and international solidarity among the peoples of the world in general and those of Europe in particular. The great gains of the struggle for detente and consolidation of security and cooperation in Europe are to a great extent the tangible successes of your strenuous activities.

Dear Comrade, on behalf of the members of the Democratic People's Party of Afghanistan and of all the national democratic forces of my country, who are inspired by a fighting spirit, I would like hereby to express my most profound satisfaction with the constructive development of our all-round fraternal relations.

Dear Comrade, at this critical time when our working people are confronted with interventions, aggressions and conspiracies being hatched by U.S. imperialism, the Chinese hegemonists, the reaction in the region and particularly by the rabid Pakistani reaction, the GDR has firmly stood at our side--the side of independence, progress, durable peace and resolute struggle against imperialism. The GDR has always rendered our country a comprehensive economic, political and cultural support.

The relations between our two countries have further advanced and will deepen even more in the next few years. With the comprehensive assistance of our internationalist friends, with the heroic Soviet Union at the head and with the firm determination of our hard working people, we were able to crush the enemies of our fatherland in a relatively short time, to inflict on them destructive defeats and to frustrate the imperialist intrigues.

We have victoriously liquidated the major bulwarks of the counterrevolution allied with imperialism and have prepared the road for their complete elimination. We have created a secure atmosphere for a rapid progress of our country in various fields. We are convinced that our militant solidarity will decisively help to defeat world imperialism which even now finds itself confronted with serious crises and contradictions.

Once more I congratulate you from the bottom of my heart on the 31st anniversary of the founding of your independent and flourishing state.

[Signed] Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the Democratic People's Party of Afghanistan, chairman of the Revolution Council and prime minister of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan.

KARMAL, BREZHNEV 16 OCT MOSCOW DINNER SPEECHES

For the texts of the dinner speeches given by Leonid Brezhnev, president of the USSR Supreme Soviet Presidium, and Babrak Karmal, prime minister of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan, in Moscow on 16 October, as published by PRAVDA, see pages D 2 and D 4, respectively, of the South Asia section of the 21 October Soviet Union DAILY REPORT.

DRA OFFICIAL VIEWS PARTY ROLE IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

For an IZVESTIYA article by Najmoddin Khawiani, member of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan (PDPA) Central Committee Organization Department, on the role of the PDPA in national development, see the South Asia section of the 17 October Soviet Union DAILY REPORT.

BANI-SADR CALLS FOR ALL-OUT WAR EFFORT

LD202106 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1930 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] PARS reports that the Dr Seyyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, the president and commander in chief, left for Bushehr yesterday accompanied by Colonel Fakuri, defense minister and commander of the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and inspected Bushehr's sixth fighter aircraft base. In an interview in which he elaborated on the war situation, he said: The war situation depends on our own efforts. If everyone works like the personnel of the air force and the Airborne Division, the war will definitely end in our favor, and if our blows work and if, God willing, we cross the Iraqi border, we will bring down this regime, and with the downfall of this regime the Middle East situation will completely change.

The president and the commander in chief, addressing the nation and the army, said: The war was imposed on us at a time when the enemy thought we were weak. Our forces ought to spare no efforts for our victory, and at some stage of this war the air force in particular must work at a higher level and with initiative and sacrifice in order to prepare the ground for weakening the enemy, thus enabling us to attack it from both land and air. God willing, with the downfall of this regime which neither loves its own people nor our Muslim people and which has no independence, we will be able to lay the basis of an independent policy in the entire Middle East so that the superpowers will learn that our destiny is in our own hands. We need more sacrifices in order to achieve this.

During the course of this interview the president, commenting on the establishment of the Supreme Defense Council, said: Since the authorities were scattered, and the Majlis, the government, the judiciary and the army were [word indistinct], I asked for the creation of the council in order to have only one command for the war.

RAJA'I ENDS NEW YORK VISIT, RETURNS VIA ALGERIA

Meeting With Hostage's Family

JN201608 Tehran Domestic Service in Surani Kurdish 1830 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i, prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, left New York for Algeria last night with his accompanying delegation. Prior to his departure from New York, he held talks in the United Nations with the delegations of Nigeria, Tunisia and Bangladesh and with the Bangladesh foreign minister.

Also prior to his departure from New York, Mr Raja'i held talks with Pakistani Foreign Minister Agha Shahi and met with the family of one of the hostages.

Meeting With Saharan Counterpart

LD201924 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Excerpt] According to the Central News Bureau, the public relations office of the Prime Ministry announced: Mr Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i, prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, who visited Algeria on the order of the nation's imam on his return from New York, met with the prime minister of the Saharan Democratic Arab Republic at his residence in Algeria at 2130 last night.

During this meeting, the Saharan prime minister said: I take this opportunity to convey sincere greetings from the people of Sahara to you and the people of Iran who are under the leadership of Imam Khomeyni.

The people of Sahara are with you, and in spite of the fact that we are logically and in practice against aggression, nevertheless we want to be informed of the Iranian people's situation. I want to tell you that the people of Sahara are with you in this war with Iraq.

In reply, Mr Raja'i said: I am happy to see you and welcome this opportunity. My foremost hope is that the Muslim world will achieve a common language to enable us to speak to each other easier and without an interpreter. Because we adhere to one religion and adore one book and one God, I feel extreme sincerity between us.

Among other things which bring our two nations together is the fact that we both are struggling; and since my nation--while it is struggling--is very noble and committed to principles, I can think that your people, too, are struggling like us. And since they believe in God Almighty therefore they too should be noble and serious.

Arrival in Tehran

LD210645 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0430 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] According to a report by our morning correspondent Mr Mo'hammad 'Ali Raja'i and his entourage, who had travelled to New York to take part in the session of the Security Council, arrived in Tehran at 0735 this morning.

Briefs Khomeyni

LD211128 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1044 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] According to PARS, Mr Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i, prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on returning from his trip to participate in the Security Council session and his visits to Algeria and Libya, was received by Imam Khomeyni, the leader of the revolution and founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran. This morning he briefed the imam on the outcome of his trip.

At the end of this meeting, answering a question about his meeting with the imam put to him by a PARS reporter, Mr Raja'i said: Today's meeting with the imam was in order to report on my trip, and I briefed the imam along special lines. He also expressed his views at this meeting. With regards to the actions taken, as a whole, this trip was approved by the imam, and also the battlefronts and particularly the southern fronts also were discussed.

Stressing the fact that negotiations will not be considered at all now even though they might, for example, offer to provide us with spare parts, he stated: People who are willing to risk whatever they possess to defend their honor, revolution and their beliefs can be the creators of the greatest victories in history. Mr Raja'i added: Concerning the economic situation in the country, some issues and the probable qualitative and quantitative changes in the future were discussed with the imam.

Finally, answering a question put to him by a PARS reporter about the outcome of his trip, Mr Raja'i stated: We are satisfied when God, the people and the imam are satisfied, since this is not a personal issue. To this minute I can at least say that I am not dissatisfied. I hope that God, the people and the imam also will be of the same opinion.

It is noteworthy that Mr Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i, prime minister of our country, who travelled to New York heading a delegation in order to take part in a Security Council session to expose the crimes committed by the mercenery regime of Iraq, returned to Tehran at 0730 this morning.

Foreign Ministry Statement on Visit

LD211036 Tehran PARS in English 0827 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] Tehran, 21 Oct (PARS NEWS AGENCY)--The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran has issued a statement concerning certain rumours about Iranian Prime Minister Mohammad 'Ali Rajai's visit to the United Nations. The text of the statement reads as follows:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran deems it necessary to discuss the following points in order to inform the public about the waves of false rumours spread by imperialistic circles. (These) [word indistinct] concern the visit of Mr Mohammad 'Ali Raja'i, prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran, to the headquarters of the United Nations. Propaganda horns are being blown by imperialism throughout the world to (spread) rumours and thus poison world public opinion by creating an atmosphere full of lies and an open market for propaganda. These points are:

"First: The Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran announces that the imperialist mass media, in order to downgrade the objective of the prime minister's visit to the headquarters of the United Nation's has tried to attribute other purposes such as the contacts of [words indistinct] authorities and negotiations about the fate of the U.S. hostages for (the visit). The true purpose is to outline the legitimate stance of the Islamic Republic of Iran and announce Iran's innocence in this imposed war to all peoples of the world at the Security Council.

"Second: The spreading of rumours has [words indistinct] again clearly shown violation of Iraq is part of a pre-arranged plot engineered by the superpowers.

"Third: The wicked rumourmongers are speaking of [word indistinct] exchange of hostages for U.S. weapons. They are ignorant about the (?people of) Iran who have not laid the pillars of their (civic) revolution with such weapons from the superpowers. Rather they have been equipped with the weapon of their voices, shouting 'God is great' [word indistinct] victory with no need of the oppressing superpowers.

"Fourth: The Moslem people of Iran, with the least casualties [words indistinct] spite of all limitations imposed on it by Western industrial countries, have been able to deal strong blows to the Ba'thist regime which is being aided and provided with [word indistinct] governments of the region as well as by the superpowers. To this [word indistinct] militant people of Iran have used the sharp weapon of faith against blasphemy and will certainly become victorious in [word indistinct] fight [words indistinct].

"The Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran sends greetings to the souls of the martyrs of this imposed war, and exhorts the militant brothers at the front with this promise that Saddam's regime is in a state of total despair and once again [word indistinct] plots against the Islamic Republic of Iran are being [word indistinct]."

RAFSANJANI: MAJLIS DECISION ON HOSTAGES IN 2 OR 3 DAYS

JN202024 Tehran International Service in Arabic 2000 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] In an interview with the AP office in Beirut, Hojjat ol-Eslam Rafsanjani, speaker of the Islamic Majlis, has stated that the Islamic Majlis will adopt its decision on the fate of the U.S. hostage spies in the next 2 or 3 days.

Hojjat ol-Eslam Rafsanjani added that he cannot predict the conditions that the Islamic Majlis will set for the release of the hostage spies. He added: I believe, however, that the conditions will be the same as those set forth by Imam Khomeyni.

Asked about whether it is necessary for the United States to apologize, Rafsanjani said: The Majlis will decide ths. The majority of the Majlis members might or might not ask for this. However, everything will be (made clear) in the next 2 or 3 days. On the possibility of releasing the hostages, Rafsanjani said: If the United States accepts our conditions, then the U.S. hostages might be released. Hojjat ol-Eslam Rafsanjani stressed that Iran will not purchase spare parts from the United States.

KHOMEYNI RECEIVES ISLAMIC AMBASSADORS ON 'ID AL-ADHA

JN201112 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1100 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] Imam Khomeyni, leader of the Islamic Reyolution, received today all the ambassadors of the Islamic states in the company of Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Islamic Conference, on the occasion of the blessed 'Id al-Adha.

The Somali ambassador, in his capacity as dean of the Islamic diplomatic corps, conveyed congratulations to the leader of the Islamic revolution.

Imam Khomeyni then delivered a speech on this occasion, addressing it to all world Muslims. We will broadcast the text of this speech as soon as it is translated.

Speech to Ambassadors

LD201540 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1127 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Speech by Ayatollah Khomeyni on the occaion of 'Id al-Adha at meeting with ambassadors of Islamic countries at his residence, Hoseyniyeh Jamaran, on 20 October--recorded, duration 29 minutes]

[Excerpts] As soon as Saddam Husayn came to power, I told some people how dangerous he was, for he is insane; his nerves do not work properly. Now this has been proved to them. Regrettably, they think we have become isolated for having opposed America; no, it is America which has become isolated. Nations are the real yardsticks. You just remove the bayonet and leave the people free and then listen to what they say. Even now, when bayonets are being used in Iraq, the Iraqi people have repeatedly said so. It will not be long, God willing, till an explosion occurs in Iraq identical to that which took place in Iran. We are not isolated; the oppressors, those who have resorted to oppression against us, are isolated, for the real yardsticks are the nations. Before our revolution we were isolated, for other nations did not pay any attention to us. However, after the revolution, our nation became both strong and solidified and all other oppressed nations, even the non-Muslim nations which were part of the oppressed ones, are with us. So how can it be said that we are isolated? Indeed, there are governments, which do not enjoy the support of their peoples, which oppose us. However, we have no fear of them. Actually we welcome this sort of isolation with open arms, as long as we do not become isolated. As long as the hands of the superpowers and other powers are not cut short we cannot do what we want to do and stand on our own feet.

We must become isolated in order to become independent; we must become isolated forever, for, as long as we are not free, isolation is not something which (scares us). We have no fear at all of political, economic and social isolation, for the real yardsticks are the nations, and the nations are with us.

If you listen to the radios, they have, at the international level, all over the world, expressed their agreement with us; they want to join us at the warfronts and save us from this, as they say, disturbance. But, we have no need for these things. We shall hit Saddam and the Iraqi Ba'th Party so hard that they will no longer be able to stand up. [shouts of "God is great, Khomeyni is the leader"] We must rectify this mistake, both as far as the Iraqi ruling quarters are concerned and other Islamic governments who think if Iran is invaded it will be harmed. Iran is a divine entity which nothing can harm. Iran is unique, standing up against other powers single-handed while enjoying the united expression of support of millions of the population with a unified voice. Therefore no power can isolate this nation. No other nation can rule a nation which has arisen.

Have a look at Afghanistan. While there are leftist and powerful parties in Afghanistan, while the government opposes the nation and the nation opposes the government, since the (troops) of superpowers have entered there, such political damage has been done to the USSR in this affair that it has become [word indistinct] to everyone. The powerful Afghan guerrillas have slapped the USSR so hard that it should not try to raise its head any longer. As for Iran, Iran is more powerful than Afghanistan for Iran lacks the presence of a variety of groups. Supposing there are some four communist [word indistinct] here; they are not important; they are insignificant against our nation.

Our nation, government, the government, the security forces--all of them are united. Thank God, our security forces are powerful, our equipment is powerful; and this is the equipment provided for us by our enemy. The considerable equipment we have has been provided to us by America. It was provided in order to stand up to the USSR through us, and now we should stand against it [the United States] and any other government. They do not understand our might; they have not understood the spiritual strength existing in Iran, the Islamic strength existing in Iran; and still they do not learn. Muslims must pay attention to the power of Islam. It was Islam's power which enabled a nation that had nothing to overcome a usurping powerful government and the global superpowers; it was the power of Islam. Why are Muslims remaining oblivious to this power? Why do Islamic governments remain oblivious to this power of Islam? Why should the Arab governments suffer being slapped for so many years by Zionism? Why should they remain under the domination of foreign powers? Why do they not (unite)? Why do they not adhere to the Koran's verses? Why are they not together?

You, the Muslims, have everything. You, the Muslims, have the power of Islam which is the greatest of things, the greatest of all weapons. And you, the Muslims, have vast lands and vast countries, and you are rich. While you are rich in every respect most of your Muslim needy are living in poverty. This is because you are not adhering to Islamic teachings. You are giving away the wealth of the Muslims, those things which should be used in the interest of Muslims, to non-Muslims--for nothing. This was also the case under the deposed shah where money used to be poured into America's pocket in return for arms which the Americans used for their own purposes--in order to confront the Soviet Union. Praise be to God who willed that these arms should fall into our hands.

Today, we shall rise up against any country that might want to do us injustice [ta'addi]. Our nation, with the power of Islam, with the military and security forces, with the Islamic mojahedin and with the armed and unarmed forces, is united and no one can do injustice to this country. We do not know why the Muslims and [words indistinct] the Islamic countries [words indistinct].

Why do the Muslim countries [words indistinct] not bring this person to trial? What are they afraid of? Saddam must be tried in the same way that Carter must be tried. He was acting in his own interest, and this man is now acting in America's interest. One does not embark upon a military expedition for the sake of a few kilometers of land and cause the killing of such a large number of Muslims from both sides; one should not waste all these billions of Iraqi dinars and Iranian money to cause damage to the country and use against each other the arms that we should use against the enemy--against Zionism, against imperialism. This is a crime that Saddam is perpetrating.

We are defending our interests; we are defending Islam. We know this person; I knew him in Iraq as well. I knew that if, God forbid, he had a chance, he would be even worse than 'Aflaq, and 'Aflaq regards Islam as being against everything he stands for. We are defending Islam, and a defender of Islam will defend Islam with the lives and property of his dear ones and will never rest. Whether or not we are victorious in the material world, we will triumph. The prophet of Islam also suffered defeat in some of the battles, but he was victorious. The leaders of Islam also suffered defeats from their enemies, but they, too, proved victorious. Victory is with the right; falsehood will be [word indistinct].

On this day we pray for all Muslims and stretch out our hands in supplication to the most exalted, most blessed God to make Muslims wake up, to make Muslim governments wake up, to make Islamic governments become conscious of the fact that they should resolve their problems, eliminate their dependence on superpowers and become independent, stand on their own feet and run their own affairs themselves.

When we speak in terms of exporting our Islamic revolution this should not be misconstrued as an intention to carve an empire. We regard all Islamic countries as our own. All countries should stay where they are. [presumably meaning maintaining their national integrity] What we want for all countries and all governments is what has happened here--the awakening that occurred in Iran; the distance they put between the nation and the superpowers; the way they cut off their hands from their resources. This is what we wish for. In other words, the meaning of exporting our revolution is that all nations should wake up and all governments should wake up and liberate themselves from the problems they are facing--from being dominated, from the fact that all their resources are being squandered while they themselves live in poverty.

May the most exalted, the most blessed God make this feast auspicious for all Muslims. This feast is auspicious for the Iranian nation which is at war, and it is auspicious for those who have been martyred; it is auspicious for those who have given martyrs. May the most blessed, the most exalted God also give us the opportunity to become martyrs for his path. May peace and God's blessings be upon you.

ISLAMIC CONFERENCE'S CHATTI HOLDS TALKS

Meeting With Khomeyni

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[Text] Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Islamic Conference, in the course of his meeting this morning with the imam of the nation said: I am extremely honored, O great imam, to be received by you following a meeting I had with the foreign ministers of the Islamic countries over this war, a war which is truly tragic and which everyone is hoping to see a swift end to, and this is the wish of all Muslims.

This is particularly so now that the Muslims have an urgent need for unity. This particular Islamic Iranian revolution has a great many enemies, for this blessed Islamic revolution of yours has given a new life to Muslims. At a time when Islam was forgotten, the Muslims wanted to see this revolution stand on its feet and also give the necessary awakening to Islamic nations.

Habib Chatti added: I have something to say. I hope you will permit the formation of a mission consisting of the heads of Islamic countries. I wish to ask you and the other party to agree to this and entrust it with ending the war, so that the war might end and then the two sides may start their talks. I believe now is the time to end the war, and after negotiations, should it become clear that it is Iraq which wants to continue the war, then it is up to the Islamic nations to rise against Iraq's aggressions.

Then Imam Khomeyni, the leader of the Islamic revolution and founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran, replying to remarks made by Habib Chatti, stated: In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. At present, the war is being continued in Iran, and this in itself is a reason pointing to their aggression against us. If we were the aggressor, then we would be in Iraq.

The imam said: Saddam, without any precedent or reason, and by trampling on all international norms, invaded Iran. According to what informed sources tell me, the weapons used by Iraq are of the type that Israel has not used yet, but he is using. He has killed a great many of our old men, young people and children and has destroyed a great many of our resources. Obviously, anyone resorting to such crimes, anyone occupying our towns and villages would wish to have a cease-fire. He has looted, plundered and resorted to oppression; we have suffered losses without any reason. This is something that will not do. If governments want to take any step, if they want to see peace and calm, then they must fight against it, even if it is an Iraqi Government [as heard], so that he may return to obeying God again. Withdrawing from our country does not mean that he has returned to God, or will compensate Iran for its material losses.

Imam Khomeyni also stated: The damage caused by this criminal is irreparable unless he withdraws his forces and leaves Iraq and then abandons his corrupt government: he must leave the Iraqi people to decide their own fate. It is not a question of a fight between one government and another; it is a question of an invasion by an Iraqi, non-Muslim Ba'thist against an Islamic country; and this is a rebellion by blasphemy against Islam; this is something which concerns all [word indistinct] Muslims.

We have no intention of interfering in the affairs of another country. The imam then continued: It was they who started the aggression, and this is contrary to the wishes of the Iraqi people. You, Islamic governments, rise and liberate the Iraqi people; guarantee the freedom of the Iraqi people, and then see if the Iraqi people really want this government.

Islamic Leaders Invited

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[Excerpt] At the end of the meeting, Habib Chatti asked Imam Khomeyni if his eminence would allow a delegation of several Muslim heads of state to visit Iran on a factfinding mission and for talks with the leader of the nation. Imam Khomeyni answered: No objection; they can come to Iran to investigate the crimes of Saddam.

Meeting With Rafsanjani

LD201812 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1653 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] According to a Central News Bureau report, Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Islamic Conference, this afternoon met and conferred with Hojjat ol-Eslam Hashemi Rafsanjani, the Majlis speaker, at the latter's office in the Majlis.

During the course of this meeting, which lasted for 1 and 1/2 hours, Mr Habib Chatti said: The current war between Iran and Iraq is both damaging and weakening for the Islamic world. I have the mission from all the member countries of the Islamic conference to discuss with you, providing you agree, the formation of a group of Islamic countries to find a solution to end the war and aggression.

In reply, Hojjat ol-Eslam Hashemi Rafsanjani said: We expected our brother Muslims to tackle the problem like true Muslims. In dealing with such issues Islam has a clear stand. God Almighty has said in the Koran: [words indistinct] You Muslims should establish peace among them and should a nation supress another nation, retaliate against the oppressor in order that they can return to God Almighty's decree. Therefore, whenever they return to the right path reconcile them on just bases. Always maintain justice since God is found in followers of justice [Koranic verse]. Considering this verse, it is the duty of the Muslims of the world to exert pressure on the aggressor and cut his hand off.

Mr Rafsanjani added: Why, when the enemy is committing all manner of crimes in our country, in our cities and the villages, are you insisting that we give in. Concerning your suggestion, however, I shall discuss it with other responsible brothers and will give an answer later.

SECURITY FOR FOREIGN MERCHANT SHIPS DISCUSSED

LD191218 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1129 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to a Central News Bureau correspondent in Bandar 'Abbas, the governor of Hormuzegan Province,--engineer Azimi,--the commander of the Islamic Republic Navy, the commander of the First Fleet, and the under-secretary of the Commerce Ministry of Bandar 'Abbas, held a meeting to study and review the situations in the Strait of Hormuz, the Gulf of Oman and the Persian Gulf Islands. In the course of the meeting, the question of the passage of ships in the Persian Gulf estuary and the Strait of Hormuz was discussed.

Following the meeting, the governor general of Hormuzegan said that security of the passage of merchant ships of all countries--with the exception of those of the puppet Iraqi regime--has been decided, and that there is no cause for concern regarding the passage of such ships.

ARMED FORCES JOINT STAFF ISSUES COMMUNIQUES ON WAR

208: Successful Air Attacks

LD201322 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Communique 208 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. O fighting and honorable nation of Iran: The warring and advancing braves of the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the high-flying hawks of the skies of the courtry, were successful in their daring attacks on the enemy, from 0700 on 19 October until 0800 on 20 October, and inflicted the following damage on the enemy:

1. The enemy columns stationed around Khorramshahr and Arvand Rud and Khorramshahr's Dezh garrison, and also a number of enemy tanks and armored vehicles on the Abadan-Ahvaz road were attacked and hit;

2. In [word indistinct] Ahvaz, the mercenary Iraqi forces suffered damage and a number of tanks and supply vehicles were attacked;

3. The [?Zubaydah) radar installation inside Iraq was 70 percent destroyed and a number of armored vehicles on the road and a refinery 13 km from (?Zubaydah) were damaged;

4. [Words indistinct] and personnel of the enemy were attacked; also in Ilam the mercenary Iraqi forces suffered damage and an enemy radar station was totally destroyed;

5. The ammunition depots in the (?west) of Sulaymaniyah in Iraq were 40 percent damaged and the installations adjacent to them were totally destroyed; and

6. In the west, a large number of vans that had left Iraq for Iran were attacked and destroyed.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

210: Susangerd Front Airstrike

LD201754 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1705 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Communique 210 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. Militant, Muslim Iranian compatriots, the combatants of the Air Corps of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran today attacked the infantry units of the aggressive enemy in the Allah Akbar mountain region on the Susangerd front, destroying three enemy vehicles carrying equipment and one troop carrier. Several hours after these operations flames and smoke were still visible in the area.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

211: Ineffective Iraqi Propaganda

LD202258 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2030 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Communique 211 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In the name of God. The enemy cannot withstand the army of Islam, and with the use of the imperialists' and Zionists' propaganda machinery, is resorting to the spread of false news in the vain hope of weakening the morale of the fighting forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

For example, in recent days the enemy's fifth column has encouraged its traitor elements to contact the families of the personnel who, in a committed way, are fighting the infidels at the front and give them bad news in order to make them worry. The enemy does not know that the soldiers of Islam all go to all the fronts of battle with the infidels with the expectation of martyrdom and the families of [words indistinct] these soldiers not only will not be distressed with the news of the martyrdom of their sons, but the hope of every one of them is to present their brave sons to their God for the sake of establishing [word indistinct] sovereignty.

The words of their hearts, [words indistinct] in accordance with their leader Imam 'Ali, peace be upon him, are as follows.

I swear to God that if I come face to face with the enemy alone, and even if they crowd the entire Earth, I will have no fear and I shall not be afriad. I am anxious to meet God Almighty and will expect His good reward.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

212: Airborne Division Operations

LD211136 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Communique 212 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. Imam Khomeyni said: O you dear nation and the Armed Forces of Iraq, beware that our armed forces, the brave military personnel and zealots of the guards corps, the valiant personnel of the police and gendarmerie, and the selfless peshmerga together with the combative people of the nation and the fighting, mobilized corps form a great organized power and are resisting all the superpowers.

Dear noble compatriots of Iran. The Iran winged eagles of the Airborne Division of the ground forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran will not remove their shadows from the Iraqi Ba'thist mercenaries even for a moment. Every day they capture their prey from the armored divisions and mercenaries of the Iraqi Ba'thists. Yesterday these honor-winning heroes dealt fatal blows to the enemy and succeeded in destroying 3 fields guns, 16 tanks and 23 personnel carriers containing ammunition, fuel and [word indistinct] belonging to the Iraqi Ba'thist forces. During yesterday's operations more than 150 of the enemy forces were killed. Our forces suffered no losses or casualties.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

AD-DA'WAH PARTY STATEMENT ON IRAQI REBELS' ACTIVITIES

GF191355 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1300 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] PARS reports that the Muslim Iraqi heroes have escalated their activities and struggle against the puppet Iraqi Ba'thist mercenaries following the recent appeal by the leader of the world's oppressed, Imam Khomeyni, to the noble Iraqi people and the Muslim Iraqi Army. The Muslim Iraqi heroes have dealt new strong blows to these puppets.

The Islamic Ad-Da'wah Party has issued a statement on the heroic actions of the brave Iraqi people. The following is the text of the statement:

In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. Our sources of information in Iraq report that the puppet Ba'thist regime has compelled education employees, particularly teachers, to enroll in the so-called Popular Army and join its activities, believing that it will be able to tighten its grip on the cities. Fear and terror, however, have spread to all the regime's security apparatus. This fear reaches its climax when the pilots of Islam fly in the Iraqi skies and strafe military areas. Consequently, the number of deserters from the army and the Popular Army if increasing despite the security forces' harsh measures. Many Islamic elements that support the Islamic revolution in Iran have been assassinated. Reports say that Khalid Mawla was one of those assassinated. After his assassination, the regime claimed he had committed suicide. The Iraqi people are continuing to leave the cities for the villages. Travel by train has been banned because trains are being used only for military purposes.

In addition to the above-mentioned developments, the brave fighters are continuing to carry out their heroic operations in various Iraqi cities:

1. In Al-Basra: The commands of the Popular Army and the Al-Basra prison have been attacked by mojahedin from the Abu 'Isam group. A clash between the two sides resulted in the death of 65 Ba'thist mercenaries and the capture of weapons and equipment. Two mojahedin were martyred, the others returned safely to base.

2. In the Al-Jumhuriyah District of Al-Basra: The martyr Sheykh 'Arif al-Basri group has attacked the command of the so-called Popular Army. The members of the group returned safely to base after killing 8 mercenaries and wounding 10 others.

3. In the (Ar-Rabat) District of Al-Basra: The mojahedin have attacked a mercenary hideout. They returned safely to base after killing five agents.

4. In An-Najaf: The fighters of the martyr 'Abd al-Majid Mashkur have attacked the command of the so-called Popular Army. They returned safely to base after killing a number of mercenaries.

5. In the Governorates of As-Sulaymaniyah and Karbala': The heroic mojahedin have carried out several operations, including attacks on military centers and blowing up a mercenary's car in the Karbala' Governorate. We have not yet received full reports on these operations.

These operations are a continuation of operations reported in the past, which included the heroic occupation of the so-called Voice of the Masses in Baghdad. During this heroic action, our heroic mojahedin shot down a military helicopter and killed a number of mercenaries; a number of our mojahedin were martyred.

Our sources also report that the puppet Saddam regime has exploited the climate of tension and arrested many mojahedin. This murderous regime has recently killed 87 mojahedin, some of whom were under arrest. We pledge to God Almighty and to the martyrs that we shall continue on our path under the leadership of the imam of the Muslim nation, the great Khomeyni, until we have put an end to the tyrants and established God's rule on Earth.

[Signed] The Islamic Ad-Da'wah Party

IRAQI DISSIDENTS SEEK UN INVESTIGATION OF REGIME'S 'CRIMES'

GF181710 Tehran International Service in Arabic 1500 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] A group of Iraqi organizations has sent a memorandum to the UN Security Council and explained their stance on the war launched by the Iraqi regime against the Islamic revolution in Iran. These organizations are the Movement of Iraqi Strugglers [mojahedin], the Movement of the Group of Scholars in Iraq [ulama], the Movement of the Oppressed in Iraq, the Iraqi National Movement, the Islamic Liberation Movement in Iraq, the Organization of Muslim Students in Iraq and the Iraqi Kurdish National Coalition.

The memorandum says that the oppressed Iraqi people represented by Iraq's Islamic movement and its national struggling forces denounce the traitorous aggression the traitor of the people and their home, Saddam at-Tikriti, is implementing. This traitor wants to strike at the young Islamic revolution in Iran in the service of his masters, the enemies of the oppresed nations. We also denounce the intervention by the imperialist-linked Anglo-American Arab regimes against the Islamic revolution of Iran, as well as the Jordanian regime, which has officially declared war against a state which suffered aggression and which is a member in the United Nations and the nonaligned movement without any justification except malice and agentry for its masters.

The memorandum informs the Security Council that the crimes of the Iraqi regime have reached a stage which cannot be tolerated. The number of political prisoners has exceeded 80,000 and the number of those martyred is 14,000. All of them died under torture. The number of those exiled exceeds 120,000, people whose citizenship has been withdrawn and their wealth confiscated. Thus, we request in the name of humanity and human rights that you start an investigation into these inhuman crimes with Saddam's representative to this conference. Assign this task to Amnesty International, the human rights organization, the International Red Cross, and request these organizations be permitted to visit Iraq and investigate its detention camps, where you will find the truth. Your continued silence will be considered your participation in committing these crimes.

The memorandum confirms that the Iraqi people support their Iranian Muslim brothers who are justly struggling against the nation's enemies. The memorandum also stresses that the Security Council, which was established in order to defend the rights of nations to self-determination and protect their independence, is requested to support the Iraqi and Iranian people rather than supporting the fascist regimes which oppress their nations, such as the fascist regime in Iraq.

The memorandum adds that Sa'dun Hammadi is not representing the oppressed Iraqi people; rather he is one of the employees of Saddam at-Tikriti's regime.

NIOC CRITICIZES IRAQ'S ANTI-IRAN RADIOS, JAMMING

GF201128 Abadan NIOC Radio in Arabic 0746 GMT 20 Oct 80

[From "Today's Iraq is an Erupting Volcano" program: "Hostile Non-Islamic Information Media"]

[Excerpts] Iniquity has always opposed righteousness with all its strength and means. It opposes it with false words, vile accusations and aggression. Iniquity also tries to prevent people from hearing the voice of righteousness by blocking all its channels. In early Islam iniquity used false words when it said about the Koran: it is but magic and legends of the ancients. [Koranic verse] Iniquity referred to the prophet as a poet and a priest.

The Koran tells us about iniquity's attempt to prevent people from hearing the Koran. Iniquity used to say to the people: Do not listen to this Koran.

With the inception of the revolution of righteousness in our era, with the inception of the Islamic mass revolution in Iran, all imperialist and Zionist information media embarked on distorting this revolution with false words and vile accusations, trying to prevent its news from reaching the world. Nonetheless, the revolution of righteousness triumphed and its flag flew high. They devise guile, and God devises guile; and God is the best deviser. [Koranic verse]

The forces of evil, darkness and iniquity in the world have not laid down their arms but are tirelessly seeking to prevent the voice of the Islamic revolution from reaching the Muslim masses--and particularly the Arab masses--through their information media. The voice of the puppet non-Islamic regimes reiterate what their iniquitous forefathers said: Do not listen to this Koran. They employ equipment to jam the Islamic radios' Arabic broadcasts beamed from Tehran, Ahvaz and Abadan.

The non-Islamic tribal regime of Iraq, the candidate of puppet regimes in the area, has proclaimed the death sentence for anyone who listens to Iran's Arabic broadcasts. That proclamation reveals the extent of their fear of and alarm at the word of truth, and also their lack of confidence. How could a regime that cannot bear to see slogans on the walls or leaflets distributed among the masses bear to hear Islamic radios carrying the word of Islam to Muslims daily for several hours? It would be extremely difficult for them.

The United States and the United Kingdom have sought, since the first days of the triumph of the Islamic revolution, to reactivate external broadcasts that were in abeyance. They employed fugitives of the shah's regime to work in these radios against the revolution and its leadership. As-Sadat's Egypt, which at the orders of As-Sadat's masters embraced other elements of the defeated SAVAK, followed their example and put a special radio service at their disposal.

As for the traitorous regime in Iraq--the reserve agent of Zionism and the United States, As Fatah's secret bulletin which circulates only among its members refers to him--it has decided to unmask itself and its agentry and step on to the stage to lead the battle of the puppet non-islamic and tribal regimes in the area against the Islamic revolution. Iraq's non-Islamic regime has, with the help of its masters and agents, set up three radio stations, two of which broadcast in Persian while the third broadcasts in Arabic. One of the Persian language radios is used by General Palisban, who recently held several meetings with the Zionist leader Moshe Dayan.

The second radio is used by Shahpur Bakhtiar, the last prime minister during the shah's reign--Bakhtiar who boasts that Saddam never rejected any of his requests. The agent butcher Saddam brags about supplying Bakhtiar with everything he needs to oppose the Islamic revolution.

The third radio is the radio of the Iraqi authorities' puppets and contemptible tools which misleadingly calls itself "The Voice of Arabistan." This is in addition to the non-Islamic and tribal regime's other radios.

Non-Islamic information media hostile to our Islamic revolution and its great leadership--whether they are beamed from imperialism's capitals or from puppets' capitals, and be they newspapers, magazines, radios or television--cannot affect the steady progress of the revolution. The froth goes away, and what benefits the people stays in the earth. [Koranic verse] Our great people will accept only Islam as their way of life and will accept only the Imam Khomeyni's leadership. The caravan will go on ignoring the dogs' barking.

TEHRAN: 1,000 SOVIET EXPERTS LEAVE IRAQ

JN210630 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0520 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] Reports from Iraq said that about 1,000 Soviet experts left Iraq a few days ago. The hireling Baghdad authorities did their utmost to shroud the departure of these experts with complete secrecy. This report shows that the Soviets have removed their hands from the agentry and treasonous regime in Baghdad. The report also shows that Saddam is in the throes of death, although he is throwing himself into the lap of the United States and Zionism.

The regime of mercenaries in Baghdad has failed to defend Iraq's airspace from the heroic raids launched by the Muslim planes on the military positions and this regime has also failed to provide these military experts with basic security and protection, both in their houses and camps.

O puppets of Baghdad: He who laughs fast cries last. You have desecrated the noble character of Qadisiyah Islam by your atheism and falsehood. The great Qadisiyah Islam is digging your graves and bringing your death closer. Think not that God doth not heed the deeds of those who do wrong. [Koranic verse]

TEHRAN RADIO CALLS FOR IRAQI DESERTIONS

JN210720 Tehran International Service in Arabic 0635 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] Call, call, call. O free brothers, O sons of the brave Iraqi army, both officers and men, your brothers of the valiant Iranian Armed Forces call on you to throw down your weapons and join the victorious units of the Islamic Iranian Army. Our forces have begun their counterattack without leniency or mercy. Throw down your arms and rest assured that members of our brave army will treat you in a brotherly and merciful manner.

KURDISH REBELS BLAMED FOR RAID ON URUMIYEH

LD201405 Tehran ETTELA'AT in Persian 12 Oct 80 p 11

[Unattributed report: "KDP and Komeleh Plot Thwarted in Urumiyeh"]

[Text] Hashemi, political deputy at the West Azarbayjan governor general's office, told the ETTELA'AT correspondent in Urumiyeh during a telephone conversation:

"At 2100 on Friday, 300 armed men attacked Urumiyeh city with the primary intention of seizing the military base, the guards corps premises and other sensitive points in the city and inviting Kurdish Democratic Party [KDP] Secretary Qasemlu to speak to the people. Following the armed attack, the troops, guards and Komiteh members responded vigorously to the shotting from the assailants, who had taken up positions mainly in the vinicity of houses near the military base, and after clashes lasting several hours they surrounded them. These 300 men were divided into 20 groups of 15, each equipped with RPG 7's, rocket launchers and other light and heavy weapons.

"The plot was eventually quashed: eight members of the group were arrested, a number were killed and the rest escaped. They were probably KDP and Komeleh supporters. Some 20 of our own people were killed in this clash, including 9 brother soldiers and 4 brother guards, Komiteh members and civilians. About 50 were wounded and they are now in the city hospitals."

KUWAIT ADMONISHED ON REPORTING IRAQI COMMUNIQUES

GF181311 Abandan NIOC Radio in Arabic 0922 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Unattributed commentary]

[Excerpts] In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. O Muslim peoples everywhere: Have you paid attention to your rulers' information media? Have you contrasted those media with the Islamic religion these rulers are affiliated with? Are their actions compatible with the Koran? Have you read a single verse in the Koran that enjoins fighting and killing Muslims for not being Arabs? Does Islam prefer an Arab to a non-Arab--including the Persians, whose Islam is not accepted by the 'Aflaqis in Baghdad?

O Muslim peoples, if you found anything abominable in the actions of your rulers, did you carry out your canon duty of "enjoining the doing of good, and proscribing the abominable?" I do not know, perhaps you do enjoin the doing of good and proscribe the abominable. However, the "honest" information media in your countries do not bring your voice to us. This is a fact.

Here is an example of the behavior of the Koran radios in Muslim Kuwait so that you, O Muslim, can judge without fear or hypocrisy: The Kuwaiti radio of the Koran broadcast a communique that was carried by the clowning Baghdad radio on Friday, 10 October 1980. The following is the text of the communique: Communique issued by the Iraqi Armed Forces General Command: The Iraqi Armed Forces dealt heavy blows yesterday evening and this morning to the Iranian forces' military operations sectors, reinforcements and economic installations deep inside Iranian territory. The Iraqi command, in communique No 59, continued: The Iranian forces sustained the loss of 22 dead and the destruction of 5 vehicles, and direct hits were scored on their positions south of Dezful.

The communique added: The Iraqi forces did not sustain any losses in men or materiel. We have omitted parts of this communique, which was almost as long as a newspaper or a book.

First, we say to the "Islamic" Kuwait radio, which has regretted missing the lies of the Baghdad 'Alfaqis and remained silent for 3 or 4 days: We here in Iran do not fear the broadcast of a communique once by Kuwait radio. The communique is repeated more than once by the clowning 'Alfaqi Ba'thist radios. However, what we want from the "Islamic" Kuwaiti radios is that they adhere to their Islamic principles and fear only God Almighty.

God said: O believers, if an ungodly man brings you any news, ascertain the correctness of the report fully, lest you harm a people unwittingly, and then repent of what you have done.

Second, we'd like our brothers in Kuwait radio to answer this question: If Kuwait radio did not have a specific purpose, why does it spend so much time broadcasting such a long communique but refrains from broadcasting a communique issued by the Islamic Republic of Iran that would take no more than 1 minute of its time, limiting itself to broadcasting one-half of the communique? The communique said: Ten Iraqi planes raided Khark Island and four planes were downed. This is the entire communique. Kuwait radio broadcast only the following part: Ten Iraqi planes raided Khark Island--omitting to say that four of the planes were shot down. This is very far from Islamic behavior. We should heed Islamic principles, which are contrary to such methods of reporting.

ABADAN, KHORRAMSHAHR FIGHTING CONTINUES 17-21 OCT

KYODO: Petrochemical Complex Bombed

OW181159 Tokyo KYODO in English 1144 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] Tokyo, 18 Oct (KYODO)--Iraqi warplanes bombed facilities of the Iran-Japan petrochemical complex Friday for the fourth time since the war started between Iran and Iraq last month, the Foreign Ministry said Saturday.

The ministry said information reaching the Japanese Embassy at Tehran from the complex at Bandar-e Khomeyni said the bombing took place at 10:50 a.m. Friday (4:20 p.m. Japan time). The reports did not give the extent of damage to the facilities, which have been under construction in a joint venture between Japan and Iran. The construction project was suspended since the start of the war. Iraqi planes previously raided the complex on September 24, September 30 and October 12. Some 745 Japanese workers have evacuated to Tehran en route home.

'Relative Calm' in Abadan

LD180548 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0430 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] In an interview with Dr Sheybani, who has been at the Khorramshahr and Abadan battle fronts during the past few days and is now residing at the Abadan Governorate, PARS learned that throughout last night Abadan enjoyed relative calm.

Dr Sheybani said that after the Ba'thist pagans cruelly struck the Abadan hospital with mortar fire yesterday afternoon the city has been calm and the vigilant and saga-making warriors of Abadan are fully prepared to reply to any enemy aggression with open eyes and roaring faith.

Regarding the condition and morale of the Iraqi soldiers, Sheybani said: The "newly Islamised," "anti-Islamic" Saddam has dispatched his soldiers to war in a state of drunken stupor and with sexual promises and incentives; while in the army of Islam the offspring of the revolution rush to battle against the Ba'thist infidels with hearts full of love and faith in God, a "Husayn-like" grudge [presumably referring to Imam Husayn] and an "Ali-like" rapture.

Dr Sheybani confirmed the repeated attacks by the Ba'thist infidels using mortars and Khamsah-Khamsah ["five-five" in Arabic, presumably 155mm artillery] on Khorramshahr he said: Now that the enemy has been forced to retreat thanks to the bravery and resistance of the Iranian forces, it harbors the vain thought that it could drive the people and the warriors out of the city by lobbing mortars into the city.

Also, an informed official at the Abadan Governorate said at 0300 this morning about Khorramshahr: At present, at the entrance of the city, and around the city slaghterhouse, the clashes continue; but their intensity is less than that of the previous days.

Abadan Shelling, Khorramshahr Melee

LD181838 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] A PARS correspondent reports from Abadan that the Islamic Republic's Armed Forces brought the enemy around Abadan under their fire and that the fighting continued today. The same reports said that the aggressive Iraqi mercenaries this morning took one civilian hostage on the Ahvaz-Abadan road. As of this morning these mercenaries have been shelling Abadan with mortars from their territory; some residential areas were destroyed, five people were martyred and nine were wounded.

Quoting an official source at the Abadan Governorate, the PARS correspondent adds: The Islamic revolution's fighters and defenders continue their comprehensive resistance with extremely high morale, using all available means, including artillery. They are determined to turn the town's outskirts into a graveyard of Iraqi Ba'thist mercenaries.

In another report from Khorramshahr, the correspondent says: Following the very heavy casualties inflicted on the Iraqi infidels, the aggressive mercenaries retreated as far as the area behind the Khorramshahr slaughterhouse, near the town. This afternoon the Islamic revolution defenders, supported by artillery, continued their hand-to-hand battles with the Iraqi mercenaries near the slaughterhouse.

Besieged Hope for Reinforcements

LD182254 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2124 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] Contacting informed officials in Abadan tonight, PARS has learned that the mercenary Ba'th army, in order to enter the sacred lands of Abadan and Khorramshahr, is increasing its efforts to complete the encirclement of these towns and if opportunities present themselves takeover their control by a sudden onslaught.

The Abadan Governor reports that infidels are now within a few kilometers of Bahmanshir Bridge and are attacking the town with their heavy artillery. They are trying in a dastardly manner and in an uneven war against the town's honorable fighters to create panic and force the heroic people of Abadan to leave the town so that they may not face any serious obstacle when entering Abadan. The morale of the Abadan fighters remains as high as ever, however, and in addition to relying on God's blessings they are hoping for more and swifter help from other Khuzestani people and the Islamic Armed Forces, so that by their cohesive struggle they may jointly achieve an epic victory.

Other officials in Abadan report that in Khorramshahr hand-to-hand and house-to-house fighting between the self-sacrificing defenders of the city and the Ba'thist infidels continues, with a group of most noble young men in Khorramshahr having given their lives while defending their home against the expansionism of the infidel Ba'thists. The Karbala martyrs of tonight in Khorramshahr fought to their dying breath and inflicted heavy casualties on the filthy enemies of the Islamic revolution.

PARS reports that the Abadan governor, citing the commander of the Corps of Revolution Guards in Khorramshahr, said: The morale of the defenders who are still holding the trenches in Khorramshahr is high, however, these dear ones are also hoping to receive urgent help from the brave Muslims in other parts of the country. They are convinced that in defending the Islamic revolution the Muslim Iranian people will not abandon them and that they will swiftly move to help them.

Iraqi Forces Driven Back

LD190806 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0744 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] In the early hours of this morning, the Iranian Armed Forces troops, the Corps of Revolution Guards and the self-sacrificing Abadani citizens succeeded in driving back the Iraqi invading forces, which last night had managed to get close to Abadan under cover of their artillery. According to the Central News Bureau from Abadan, the Islamic heroes and champions, defending their homeland and Islam, drove back the Ba'thist mercenaries 10 km away from Abadan. According to a Central News Bureau correspondent, the general situation in Abadan is relatively calm.

The same report adds that in Khorramshahr streetfighting is underway around the slaughterhouse, (?Gusht) garrison, the railway and Taleqani Street between the invading Ba'thist troops and the heroic army, Corps of Revolution Guards and Muslim people of the town. All last night the noise of dastardly enemy missiles was heard in the city.

Wounded Transferred

LD190909 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0830 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to PARS, following the inhuman attack by the Iraqi Ba'thist infidels on Abadan hospital during the past 2 days, around 100 of our wounded brothers and sisters have been transferred by hovercraft from Abadan and Khorramshahr to Bushehr. A PARS correspondent who visited the hospital and the patients reports that the patients' morale is good.

Abadan Airport Hit

LD191254 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to PARS and Central News Bureau reports, the brave resistance put up by the forces of the Islamic Republic or Iran at the Khorramshahr and Abadan fronts is continuing.

According to these reports, Khorramshahr today again came under fire from enemy artillery and missiles, and street fighting is continuing. Despite water shortages which have been in existance in the city of Khorramshahr over the last few days, the committee fighters and lovers of Imam Husayn have created epics for the Islamic revolution with their fierce resistance. The Ba'thist infidels are forming new positions in preparation for their next attacks against the city.

The reports say that roads from Abadan to other parts of the country have been closed and the Ba'th invaders have taken up positions near the city. The city has also come under fire from the enemy's artillery and mortars and the sound of explosions can still be heard. Army personnel, revolution guards and the city inhabitants are continuing to resist the enemy and will continue to do so. At 1130 today a missile hit Abadan airport. Five people were martyred and a few others seriously wounded.

'Heroic Efforts' Reported

LD191854 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1648 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] A correspondent of the Central News Bureau from Ahvaz, quoting the commander of southern operations, reported this afternoon: The fighting between the forces of good and evil in Khorramshahr and Abadan is continuing fiercely.

The commander of southern operations, while appreciating the heroic efforts of the people and armed forces, remarked: The defending forces of the Islamic revolution are fighting the army of blasphemy in the trenches and that is why the mercenary and blasphemous Ba'thist forces of Iraq have not been able to capture these two cities so far. He also added: The Ba'thist enemy forces continue to cowardly bombard Abadan and Khorramshahr using planes and artillery, [illegible] the godless and mercenary Ba'thist forces of Iraq have martyred several women and children.

Another report from the correspondent of the Central News Bureau indicates that at around 0900 this morning the enemy bombarded the Kut 'Abdollah District of Ahvaz and shelled civilian areas using heavy artillery, as a result of which one civilian was martyred and five were wounded. The wounded civilians are in a critical condition.

According to the same report, following the savage attack of Iraqi infidels on civilian people, a Muslim and committed doctor risked his life and rushed to the battlefield to save an 18-month-old baby--the only survivor of a family from Khorramshahr. He picked up the baby and safely returned to behind the front.

In another place, a 13-year-old youth, defender of the Islamic revolution, fastened a handgrenade onto his belt and threw himself under an Iraqi tank; by martyring himself in this legendary manner he annihilated several Iraqi infidels. This is an example of an epic deed created by the defenders of right in Khorramshahr and Abadan, and is a message of hope to the revolutionary nation of Iran which should assist these self-sacrificing people following the path of God by all possible means, because only through the unstinting support of our committed nation will the defenders of Khorramshahr be able to safeguard this integral part of the Islamic revolution homeland and defeat the infidels--as they have been trying to do so far.

A PARS reporter states: At 1630 today Iraqi heavy artillery fired on Ahvaz but there are no reports of possible losses or damage so far.

House-to-House Fighting

LD192002 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1651 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] A PARS correspondent reported at 1715 today from the Abadan and Khorramshahr front: Despite the efforts of Iraqi Ba'th mercenaries to capture these regions the defenders of the Islamic revolution and the heroic inhabitants of these two cities continue their resistance.

According to this report, house-to-house and hand-to-hand fighting in the slaughterhouse, railway, customs and port areas of Khorramshahr continued till this afternoon, and warriors of the Islamic Republic, by taking advantage of partisan fighting, killed the blasphemous and mercenary Saddam's forces who had hidden themselves in people's houses and used these houses as trenches. Iraqi mercenaries mostly left their hideouts when they had to face the self-sacrificing warriors of Islam. They fled.

The same report indicates that Iraqi mercenaries still aimlessly fire mortars and rockets on civilian areas and mosques. At the same time in Abadan Iraqi Ba'thist mercenaries also left their trenches when they were attacked by the warriors of the Islamic Republic of Iran. They took several common inhabitants of Abadan as hostages and cowardly used them as shields to avoid the bullets of the defenders of the Islamic revolution. Thus, the valiant Islamic forces had to be careful not to harm their own compatriots when they confronted the enemy.

On the other hand, today Iraqi mercenaries shelled the city by mortar and rockets; as a result part of the building of Abadan airport was damaged and several of our Muslim compatriots of Abdan were martyred or wounded.

Iraqi Advance Blocked

LD202230 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2124 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] According to our correspondents, Khuninshahr [Khorramshahr] today again courageously resisted, halted and made abject the infidel enemy in his hidden dens, despite his military equipment.

A correspondent of the Central News Bureau reported at 1245 today, citing reliable sources in Abadan, that the aggressive Iraqi forces are stationed in their positions near Abadan and attacking targets in various parts of the cities with artillery fire.

According to PARS, artillery exchanges took place this afternoon between the forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Iraqi mercenary forces on the Abadan-Mahshahr and Abadan-Ahvaz road axes. Infidel Iraqi mercenaries, following their temporary defeats on the Abadan and Khunishahr fronts, have engaged in military deployments in their own territory on the other side of the Arvand Rud and brought Khuninshahr under intense artillery fire from Shalamcheh using khamsah-khamsah artillery [Arabic term meaning "five-five", presumably 155mm artillery].

Reports received from Khuninshahr say the defenders of the Islamic Republic of Iran destroyed several new enemy positions last night and today, and following a pitched, hand-to-hand battle drove them back from the vicinity of the slaughterhouse. These righteous defenders of the Islamic revolution, however, continue to need reinforcements to confront the infidel enemy in a better way.

A PARS correspondent reported at 1425 today from the Abadan war front that despite the efforts of Iraqi mercenaries to further encircle Abadan city, the combatants of the Islamic Republic of Iran continue to block the advance of the infidel mercenaries. According to the report, the Iraqi mercenaries have concentrated their forces in the vicinity of Abadan city and they are trying to advance parallel to the city, but the combatants of Islam, with full alertness, are observing their movements and are striking blows at these mercenaries at every opportunity.

The PARS correspondent further reported that several houses were damaged in a rocket attack by Iraqi mercenaries last night and one guardsman was martyred with three others injured. In another part of the warrior-nurturing city of Abadan three members of the same family were martyred in a mortar attack by the aggressive Iraqi mercenaries.

Downing of Two MiG's

LD202306 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2030 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] Militant warriors of the Islamic Republic of Iran today shot down two aggressive Iraqi MiG's (?in) Khuninshahr area. According to reports, the pilots of these two MiG's were killed. According to PARS, as well as the central news unit in Abadan, one of the two MiG's crashed on the Mahshahr-Abadan road and the second MiG crashed in the vicinity of Abadan.

Air Force Attacks

LD202256 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 2134 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] According to a Central News Bureau report from Ahvaz, between 0800 and 1200 today, fighters of the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran attacked the vicinity of Khuninshahr, which is under the control of the aggressive Iraqi forces, and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy.

According to the same report, the Ba'thist forces' installations in Iraq--opposite the Abadan city oil installations--came under Iranian air attack today. Flames and smoke could be seen from these installations until this afternoon.

Three of the enemy's bridges inside Iraqi territory, which were used to supply the Ba'thist forces stationed at the Shalamcheh border, were destroyed in air attacks by the fighters of the Islamic Republic.

Meanwhile, according to the Central News Bureau report, clashes continued in Khorramshahr [as heard] until 1730 and the combatant forces of Islam inflicted heavy casualties on the infidel aggressive enemy. Fighter aircraft of the Air Force of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran also bombed units of the aggressive enemy in the vicinity of the Khuninshahr-Abadan road today and inflicted heavy damage and casualties.

The courageous resistance of Khuninshahr's combatants is proof of their divine mission in defense of the Islamic revolution, and these people, who are eager to be martyred--these followers of the path of truth--continue to pin their hopes on the all-round assistance and cooperation of true Muslims so as to drag the enemies of Islam toward destruction and complete annihilation.

Military Situation

LD201248 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1101 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] The latest reports from Abadan at 1200 today say that the fighting forces of the Islamic Republic Army, our combative revolution guards corps and the self-sacrificing people continue to resist the Iraqi Ba'thist aggressors, thwarting the entry of these forces into the city. These forces are stationed around Bahmanshir bridge.

According to the same report, the situation in Khuninshahr remains the same as it has been the past 2 days, with the epic-making heroes of Khuninshahr continuing their hand-to-hand combat in various parts of the city against the godless enemy.

Red Alert Warning

GF201343 Abadan NIOC Radio in Persian 1335 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] This is Abadan NIOC Radio. Dear listeners: Please pay attention, please pay attention. The siren you are about to hear is the red alert. It means there is a definite danger of an air attack. Please comply with all red alert regulations. [sound of siren]

Continuous Artillery Fire

LD210540 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0438 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] According to a PARS report, a reliable source from the governor's office in Abadan this morning at 0540 announced: From 2100 last night until 0530 this morning Abadan was under intense mortar fire by Iraqi mercenaries and the residential areas of the town were under the fire of the mortars of the Iraqi infidels. This official added that the fire of Khamsah-Khamsah [Arabic term, used also by Iranians, meaning five-five] guns of Khuninshahr and on the entrance square of this city continued throughout the night. The popular defenders of the Islamic revolution, the guards, the rangers of the navy, and the brave combatants of the coast guard are still continuing their epic resistance against the blasphemous aggression on Khuninshahr.

At 0700 this morning [name indistinct] was informed by a reliable source in the governor's office in Abadan that the Iraqi aggressors since the early hours of this morning have brought Khosrowabad, which is a distance of 20 km from south Abadan, under the intense fire of their long-range and Khamsah-Khamsah artillery. According to a PARS report the return of this artillery fire by the heroes of the coast guard has been spectacular.

Formation of Cleanup Committee

GF210829 Abadan NIOC Radio in Persian 0730 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Announcement No 1 of Abadan-Khuninshahr Cleanup Committee--no date given]

[Text] In His exalted name. Brave people of Abadan: With the help of the faithful and revolutionary youth of Abadan and Khuninshahr and the cooperation of the zealous people of this land who have been defending their country heroically, a committee has been formed to clean up and disinfect the city. We hereby request the zealous people of this land to report addresses of all shops, houses and other premises in need of cleaning and disinfection to this committee as soon as possible using these telephone numbers: 32420, 25153, 27803.

[Signed] Abadan-Khuninshahr Cleanup Committee

Resistance Successful

LD211230 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 21 Oct 80

[Text] PARS reported from Abadan at 0920 this morning that Iraqi infidels, who are positioned around Abadan, last night intended to take advantage of darkness and advance toward Abadan. But the brave resistance of the forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran prevented the aggression of Saddam's mercenaries. According to the same report, Iraqi mercenaries last night shelled Abadan from Iraqi territory, resulting in damage to several residential houses. A PARS reporter who visited various parts of the city and contacted the emergency unit in Abadan was informed that no lives were lost in the mortar explosions and only a few were injured.

On the other hand, the central news unit reported the situation in Abadan last night saying enemy artillery continuously and savagely pounded the residential areas of this city. Some of the enemy infidel aggressors who intended to advance toward the city from two sides were confronted by the resistance of the fighting forces of the Islamic Republic. According to the same report the shattered remains of enemy tanks destroyed by the Iranian artillery can be seen around Abadan.

According to the Central News Bureau, Khuninshahr today witnessed the resistance offered by the friends of Imam Hoseyn, peace be upon him. The resistance was such that the aggressor Iraqi Ba'thist forces were not able to penetrate the town as they did some days ago. Confrontations in streets around the town, in the area of the railroad station and Taleqani district continued, street by street and house by house. The Iraqi mercenaries, who have suffered great casualties and losses, have for the time being retreated and are still shelling the residential areas. Latest infomation received from Abadan at 1205 today, quoting the governor of this city, says champion Abadan is still under fire from mercenary Iraqis. The governor of Abadan told PARS: This morning several Iraqi MiG's attacked the residential areas of Bazargan district and around stations number 7 and 12, and several people were martyred or injured. On the situation in Khuninshahr, he said: Confrontations continue in this town at 1205.

REPORTAGE ON 17-19 OCT SITUATION IN KERMANSHAH REGION

Iraqi Retreat

LD171208 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1052 GMT 17 Oct 80

[Text] According to the PARS correspondent in Ilam, during confrontations near (?Shor-e Shirin) the blasphemous Iraqi forces were forced to retreat from this region.

Also according to this report, in today's heavy fighting near the [name indistinct] border post, the barve gendarmerie forces and the javanmardan [a paramilitary group in the Kordestan region working on the side of the Iranian Government] succeeded in pushing the enemy forces back.

'Heavy Battles'

LD171736 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1638 GMT 17 Oct 80

[Text] PARS reports that beginning last night and until 1530 today, this report was sent from Kermanshah, that heavy battles have been taking place at the Sar-e Pol-e Zahab, Qasr-e Shirin mountains and Gilan-e Gharb fronts. The artillery of the two sides opened fire on each other's positions.

The report says that at the Gilan-e Charb front, Iranian fighters forced the Iraqi mercenaries to retreat 20 kilometers from Gilan-e Gharb and that in Emam Zadeh 'Abbas the Iranian forces were able to regain a strategic position from the enemy. The report states that three revolution guards were martyred in clashes with the Iraqi Ba'th invaders at Sar-e Pol-e Zahab.

PARS also reports that at 1500 today, as the result of an attack by an Iraqi MiG, a fire broke out in Mahshahr and efforts to extinguish the fire are continuing.

Battle Successes

LD181152 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] A PARS correspondent at the battle fronts in Gilan-e Gharb reported that heavy fighting is going on between the forces of the Islamic Republic and the brave tribesmen of the region on one side and the mercenary Ba'thist forces of Iraq on the other. According to this report, the brave Muslim tribesmen of Gilan-e Gharb region succeeded in capturing 14 firearms from the infidel mercenaries of Iraq in a guerrilla operation, and the combative forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran forced the Ba'thist aggressors to retreat from two artillery positions and one tank entrenchment and took over their watchposts.

According to the report, fighting is still going on in Sar-e Pol-e Zahab and the mountains near Gilan-e Gharb, and the fighting forces of the Islamic Republic succeeded in pushing back the Iraqi Ba'thist mercenary forces at two points. The devotees of Imam Khomeyni, with the backing of other fighting forces closed the [name indistinct] mountains to the armed aggressors and, during the confrontations of the past 48 hours in this region, the armed raiders and hirelings of foreigners who enjoy the support of the Iraqi infidels suffered some casualties. As a result of the explosion of a shell fired by the raiders in a village, two villagers were martyred and eight others were injured.

Red Alert Warning

GF181554 Kermanshah Domestic Service in Persian 1549 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] [sound of siren] Dear listeners, please pay attention: The siren you have just heard is the red alert signal. Please keep calm and stay in safe places until our next announcement.

[Kermanshah Domestic Service in Persian repeated this announcement at 1538 GMT on 19 October]

Earthmoving Equipment Sought

GF190640 Abadan NIOC Radio in Persian 0625 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] The Mahshahr governor's office has announced that the city is in urgent need of water tankers, rubber-tired bulldozers and mechanical diggers.

Those who have access to or are in possession of this type of equipment please contact the Mahshahr Governorate Office as soon as possible. [Message is also carried by Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian at 0627 GMT on 19 October]

Situation at Battlefronts

LD191333 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1107 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to a Central News Bureau report from Kermanshah, the fighting forces of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the brave inhabitants of Gilan-e Gharb, in the course of a brave offensive, destroyed a column of the Ba'th mercenaries. During these clashes 18 Iraqi mercenary infidels were killed and quite a few of their vehicles were destroyed.

On the basis of this report, at the Sar-e Pole- Zahab front, the battle at the border is still continuing. The same report says that the fighting forces of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran, accompanied by other heroic forces of Iran have forced the Iraqi mercenaries to retreat to the Qasr-e Shirin region. According to this report, two strategic regions at the Sar-e Pol-e Zahab region [as heard] have been taken by the Iranian forces, and in the region of Sar-e Ab-e Garm, too, the Iraqi mercenaries, while suffering heavy casualties, have been forced to retreat. The report says that the battle is continuing at almost the entire war front and the fighting forces of Iran are answering the enemy and fighting it with bravery. This report also says that at any given moment there are some commando clashes taking place at the city of Qasr-e Shirin.

The latest report concerning clashes says that during last night's clashes at the Gilan-e Gharb front four of our country's brave fighters were martyred and four were injured.

During yesterday's clashes, an enemy's concrete shelter for tanks and another for artillery at the Sar-e Pol-e Zahab front were destroyed.

Condition White

GF191706 Kermanshah Domestic Service in Persian 1655 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] [sound of siren] Dear listeners, the siren you have just heard is the condition white siren indicating that the danger of an air attack is over. You can leave your shelters.

Iraqi Ammunition Dumps Destroyed

LD191806 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1655 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to a Central News Bureau report, the deputy governor general of Ilam Province has announced: Clashes between our fighting forces and the mercenary Iraqi forces in the regions of Mehran and Salehabad are continuing. He added: On the basis of reports received, a number of the enemy's ammunition dumps in the region of Zurbatiyah have been exploded by the fires of the artillery and mortars of the forces of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and right now the fire and smoke can be seen in the distance.

18-20 OCT ANNOUNCEMENTS TO AHVAZ CITIZENS REPORTED

Red Alert Warning

GF191318 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian 1310 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] This is Ahvaz, the Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Dear listeners: Please pay attention, please pay attention. The siren you are about to hear is the red alert. It means there is a definite danger of an air attack. Remain calm, leave your places of work and go to shelters. [sound of siren]

[Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian repeated this announcement at 1506 GMT on 20 October and 0620, 0655, 1005 and 1150 GMT on 21 October]

Report on Fighting

LD201212 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1101 GMT 20 Oct 80

[Text] Quoting a highly informed source at the Ahvaz operations room [otaq-e jang-e Ahvaz], PARS reports that the artillery fire of the infidel enemy in [word indistinct] Ahvaz front has stopped. The same report adds that hostilities in the Susangerd area, along the Allah Akbar heights, which began yesterday, still continue.

New Blood Donation Centers

GF181430 Ahvaz Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] The national blood transfusion center announces Khuzestan's new blood donation locations as follows: In Ahvaz, Naderi Hotel on Imam Khomeyni Street; in Behbahan, the Behbahan blood transfusion center; in Agha Jari, the NIOC club.

KHARK, BUSHEHR, DEZFUL BATTLE REPORTS 19-20 OCT

Iraqi Air Raids

LD190511 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0439 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to PARS the aerial defenses of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran neutralized last night's aggression by Iraqi MiG's against Khark and Bushehr.

At 1900 yesterday, Saturday, five MiG's attacked the island of Khark and 45 minutes later, a number of other MiG's were sighted over Bushehr. On both occasions the attack planes were confronted by the anti-aircraft fire of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran and were forced to flee.

Iraqi Warship Sunk

LD191456 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1105 GMT 19 Oct 80

[Text] According to PARS, a responsible official at the Bushehr security headquarters said: The jet fighters of the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran yesterday afternoon attacked and sank a warship of the mercenary Iraqi Ba'th regime at the mouth of Faw [on the Shatt Al-Arab].

The same official denied categorically the news concerning the sinking of a merchant ship by the Iranian Air Force. He said the ship which the Iraqi regime and foreign radios have called a "merchant ship" was in fact a warship and the Iranian fighters and naval forces so far have only attacked warships. He added that the Iraqis from the start of this war have on several occasions attacked merchant ships in the Persian Gulf.

He also added that last night Iraqi invader aircraft twice, one at 1855 and again at 2035, appeared in Bushehr and Khark Island airspace but were forced to flee as a result of actions taken by the antiaircraft guns and an F-4 fighter of the forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Iraqis Retreating

LD181856 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 18 Oct 80

[Text] According to a PARS report from Ahvaz, the Islamic Iranian Army completely destroyed an ammunition dump belonging to the Iraqi Ba'thist mercenaries yesterday in (Bobata) village, near (Shush). It was still burning last night.

The same report says that, considering the bombing of the positions of the Iraqi Ba'thist infidels and the casualties and damages inflicted on their forces yesterday and today in the fronts around Dezful and Andimeshk, the aggressors have been forced to retreat. At present, the Islamic army's long-range artillery in the area has brought the enemy positions under heavy fire, while severely retaliating against enemy attacks. The situation in Dezful and Andimeshk is calm. The same report states that the general intensity of fighting in fronts around Dezful has decreased.

ZAHEDAN URDU BROADCAST SCORES ZIAUL HAQ REGIME

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[Unattributed commentary]

[Text] Our Pakistani brethren may be forced into neutrality and silence for the time being by the oppressive atmosphere and pressure being exerted by General Ziaul Haq's regime, but they will not remain oblivious to the hopeless political and social conditions in their country and their future. The Pakistani Government might succeed in stopping the Pakistani people from extending material help to their Iranian brethren through pressure tactics, but it cannot suppress their sympathetic sentiments to help Iran.

The question is, does a nation, in which 90 percent of the people are illiterate, and that is one of the world's 15 poorest nations, because of the 30-year rule of army dictators like General Zia, need an atomic bomb? Ziaul Haq is spending billions of rupees to acquire atomic weapons and atomic reactors without any concern for the poverty and difficulties of the people or for spending national wealth on welfare projects for the poverty-stricken people.

The rivers in Pakistan are in the same condition they have been since time immemorial. No dams have been constructed on them and, therefore, hundreds of thousands of poor peasants are affected by these rivers every year. Pakistan does not have an adequate network of roads, and peasants are victims of exploitation at the hands of big feudalists. The major portion of the country's budget is spent on armaments and preserving the existence of dictatorial regimes.

Will the Pakistani nation remain silent about these distinct discrepancies? In a way, Pakistan's backwardness has imposed an artificial backwardness on the whole Islamic world. Following a long struggle, British imperialists freed the Indian subcontinent, and Mohammad 'Ali Jinnah decided to create a free Muslim country named Pakistan. The purpose was to prove the superiority of Islamic values and teachings in Pakistan over the Hindu religion and the political system of the Hindus.

Unfortunately, the imperialists, through their agents and lackeys, have dealt severe blows to the Islamic values of this region. Instead of following Islamic directives, the ruling dictators adopted policies dictated by the imperialists. The result is that the justice one can feel in India is nonexistent in Pakistan. India, in any case, has been following the path of democracy and has been successful in maintaining its political independence in the Indian Ocean region--the scene of superpower rivalry. It also enjoys respect in the brotherhood of nations. But Pakistan, in a state of instability and aimlessness, has always been like a boat without oars at the mercy of the whim and fancy of catastrophic waves. Various dictators such as Iskander Mirza, Ayub Khan, Yahya Khan and now General Ziaul Haq--instead of exploiting the country's human and natural resources to establish a prosperous and clean society--have plunged the country into poverty and destruction. These policies could not have enforced without oppression. Apart from a few days during the rule of Mohammad 'Ali Jinnah, the founder of Pakistan, and a few years of the Bhutto government, Pakistan has lived out its 33-year-old existence under the rule of dictators.